## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)
	: Examiner: James Phar
Manabu Kato	)
	: Group Art Unit: 2872
Appln. No.: 08/951,635	Confirmation No. 196
Filed: October 17, 1997	: Confirmation No.: 180
For: SCANNING OPTICAL APPARATUS	: ) January 22, 2010
	:

## Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## **AMENDMENT**

Sir:

## Introductory Comments

In response to the Official Action dated October 22, 2009, please amend the application as follows: